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# Local Area Events

#### **JANUARY**

Kingston Lions Pork Chop BBQ Lions Fisheree | Marquette County

#### **FEBRUARY**

Sweethearts & Sweetarts Valentines Family
Event | Green Lake
Super Bowl Party | Green Lake
Winterfest | Green Lake
Sno-Drifters Annual Sno-Ball | Markesan & Ripon
Puckaway Rod & Gun Club Ice Fishing Derby |
Marquette

#### MARCH

Wedding Expo | Green Lake St Patrick's Day Festivities | Green Lake Markesan FFA Alumni Farm Toy and Craft Show

Blue Ribbon Kid's Day | Wautoma

#### **APRIL**

Lions Easter Egg Hunt | Hancock
Kingston Lions Easter Egg Hunt
Markesan Lions Easter Egg Hunt
Eats for the Arts Restaurant Days |
Green Lake
Bird Fest | Green Lake
Rotary Club Easter Egg Hunt | Green Lake
Germania Parade & Celebrations | Neshkoro
Brewgrass Festival | Montello
Markesan Fire Dept. Spring Breakfast
Kingston Lions Chicken BBQ
Community Clean Up | Green Lake

#### **MAY**

Citywide Garage Sale | Berlin, Omro, Princeton, Green Lake, Westfield Fish N Fun | Montello Markesan Memorial Day Service Marquette Volunteer Fire Dept. Brat Fry & Bake Sale

#### **MAY (CONTD)**

Memorial Day Services | Montello, Westfield, Neshkoro, Oxford Helping Hands for Cancer | Berlin Markesan Am. Legion & Auxiliary Chicken BBQ Antique Car & Vintage Snowmobile Show | Markesan Craft & Flea Market | Coloma

#### **JUNE**

Farmers Market & Artists Market (Tuesdays,
June-Sept) | Berlin
Chicken Chew | Coloma
Concerts in the Park (Wednesdays, June-Aug) |
Green Lake
Dino Daze | Green Lake
Dairylicious Days | Westfield
Gilbert Brown Foundation Car Show | Montello
Green Lake Bike 100
June Dairy Days Festival & Parade | Markesan
Markesan Lions Fireworks
Craft & Flea Market | Coloma
Marquette County Fair | Westfield

#### JULY

Independence Day Fireworks, Music, Food and Family Fun | Berlin
Harrisville 4th of July Celebration & Truck & Tractor Pull
4th of July Celebration | Marquette,
Green Lake
4th of July Celebration | Markesan
Party on the Pond | Wild Rose
Freedom Fest | Wautoma, Waushara
Green Lake Triathlon
Broiler Fest | Endeavor
Heritage Days | Packwaukee
Puckaway Rod & Gun Club Chicken BBQ, Trapshoot & Archery Contests | Marquette

#### **JULY (CONTD)**

Antique Tractor Show & Outdoor Polka Service |
Fairwater
Markesan Dog Days
Green Lake County Junior Free Fair
Green Lake County Fair | Green Lake
Festival Gala | Green Lake
Black Hawk Folk Society Festival | Wautoma

#### **AUGUST**

Waushara County Fair | Wautoma
Street Cruizers Ride & Car Show | Berlin
Annual Corn Roast | Markesan
St. John's Polish Picnic & Annual Car Show |
Princeton
August Fest Fun in the Sun | Wautoma
Craft & Flea Market | Coloma
Annual WACC Golf Outing Fundraiser | Wautoma
Green Lake Fine Arts Show
Markesan Citywide Garage Sale
Farmer's Corn Roast | Markesan

#### **SEPTEMBER**

Labor Day Festival & Parade | Redgranite
Golden Harvest Fest | Green Lake
Kingston Krazy Days Chubfest | Kingston
Bratfest | Harrisville
Flyte Family Farm Corn Maze (Sept-Oct) | Coloma
Plainfield FD Halloween 5K Run/Walk
WI State Chili Cook Off | Green Lake
Puckaway Pig Fest | Montello
Firemans Chicken BBQ | Westfield
Vintage Trailer Weekend | Montello
Pioneer Gun & Collectible Show | Westfield
Dalton Labor Day Picnic
GLAAS Dog Walk | Green Lake
Freeland Film Fest | Green Lake
Jailbreak Marathon (Aug-Sept) | Wautoma

#### **OCTOBER**

Halloween Trick-or-Treat | Berlin, Coloma & Markesan
Trunk-or-Treat | Green Lake & Markesan
Annual From the Land - Folk Art Festival | Morris,
Green Lake
Scarecrow Festival | Neshkoro
Granite City Run | Montello
Haunted Hay Rides | Montello
Kingston Lions Chicken BBQ

#### **NOVEMBER**

Lighting the Park at Nathan Strong Park | Berlin Holiday Parade & Pictures with Santa | Westfield Lights On Water Street Parade | Princeton Unity's Festival of Trees | Princeton Christmas in Princeton | Princeton Elf Extravaganza | Berlin Small Business Saturday | Area Wide Holiday Trail | Montello Taste & Tour | Westfield Markesan Fire Dept. Fall Breakfast Annual Homespun Holidays Craft/Vendor Fair | Markesan

#### **DECEMBER**

Christmas in Coloma Kingston Lions Christmas Cash Bash Old-Fashioned Tree Lighting | Markesan Hometowne Holiday & Tree Lighting | Redgranite Cookie Walk and Craft & Vendor Fair | Redgranite

\* Events are subject to change\*

# Green Lake County

Child Support	920-294-4048
Circuit Court	
Clerk of Courts	
Corporation Counsel	
County Clerk	
District Attorney	
Emergency Management	
Extension – UW	
Health & Human Services	920-294-4070
Highway	920-294-4060
Land Conservation	
Maintenance & Parks	920-294-4012
Register of Deeds	
Sheriff	
Sheriff - Corrections	
Treasurer	920-294-4018
Veteran Services	920-294-4123

# Marquette County

Administration	608-297-3084
Clerk of Courts	
Coroner	
County Clerk	608-297-3016
District Attorney	608-297-3020
Emergency Management	608-297-3022
Emergency Medical Services	608-297-3125
Highway	
Land & Water Conservation	608-296-2815 (Ext. 4)
Public Health	
Planning, Zoning & Land Info	608-297-3036
Register of Deeds	608-297-3025
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# Waushara County

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Corporation Counsel	
County Clerk	
Department of Aging & Disability	
District Attorney	
Emergency Management	
Emergency Medical Services	
Highway Department	920-787-3327
Human Services/North Annex	
Land Records	920-787-0432
Parks Department	
Public Health	920-787-6590
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Sheriff's Office	920-787-3321
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# Green Lake County History irst inhabited by Natives from the Winnebago tribe, Green Lake county started out as rolling plains as far as the eye see. Strawberry bushes were plentiful during the early years, along with wild game and rich

Green Lake county started out as rolling plains as far as the eye could see. Strawberry bushes were plentiful during the early years, along with wild game and rich soil. Turkeys, pheasants, prairie chickens, as well as deer and the occasional moose and buffalo roamed the plains. The earliest settlers made houses out of sticks and used clay/saplings to make chimneys. They would also use old newspapers to fill in the cracks between the sticks on the walls. Founded in 1858 and named after Green Lake, Green Lake County takes up 380 sq miles and is home to around 19,100 people.

#### **Cities**

Berlin (partly in Waushara County) *pop. 5,524* Green Lake (County Seat) *pop. 960* Markesan *pop. 1,476* 

Princeton pop. 1,214

#### Villages

Kingston *pop. 326*Marquette *pop. 150* 

#### Towns

Berlin *pop. 1,145* Brooklyn *pop. 1,904* Green Lake *pop. 1,258*  Kingston pop. 900
Mackford pop. 585
Manchester pop. 848
Marquette pop. 481
Princeton pop. 1,540
Seneca pop. 424
St. Marie pop.341
\*\*Populations are approximate.

#### **Berlin**

Incorporated in 1857, Berlin was originally called "Strong's Landing" after it's first settler, Nathan H. Strong in 1845. Named after the capital of Prussia, Berlins first post office was built in 1948. Two years later a school house was built, and a year after that, the first church. During World War I, anti-German sentiment was sweeping through the nation. The residents pronounced the town "Bear-lin" to distance any resemblance to the German Capitol. Berlin is now home to around 5,524 people.

#### **Green Lake (County Seat)**

The city of Green Lake, located on the North side of Big Green Lake, is not to be confused with the town of Green Lake, located on the South side of the lake. Known for its summer tourism, Green Lake has great fishing, camping, biking, hiking, golfing, swimming and many other outdoor activities. It is now home to around 960 people.



# Green Lake County Communities

#### Marke-

#### san

It is said that Markesan was once the 3rd richest city in all the U.S.. Beautiful Victorian homes still stand, to this day, as proof. The first settler, Miller Seward, came to the area in 1843 and bought 300 acres of land. A year later he was joined by his brother William and father John Seward who also bought 300 acres. They built the first framed house, a sturdy one, and it's still standing. Located at 80 Manchester Street, it is the oldest building in the city. John also built a sawmill and gristmill that were eventually turned into a flouring mill. Originally called Granville, the town had to change its name. There was already a town called Granville, located 15 miles north of Milwaukee. So the name was changed to Markesan to avoid postal problems. It is now home to about 1,476 people.

#### **Princeton**

On March 4, 1920, the village trustees passed a resolution to become a city of the fourth class. After that, the resolution was approved by the state and Princeton became a city. The city was named after Princeton, Massachusetts. The Fox River flows through the city, dividing the city into an east half and west half. The city's post office has been in operation since 1849. The city also has the largest outdoor flea market in Wisconsin. It is now home to around 1,214.

# Marquette County History riginally inhabited by Natives, Marquette County is known as "Indian Lands." The Winnebagoes and Menominees were the prominent tribes in the area and had guite the rivalry with other. Much of the area is filled with arrowheads, spears and old Native American cookware.

were the prominent tribes in the area and had quite the rivalry with each other. Much of the area is filled with arrowheads, spears and old Native American cookware. Near Buffalo Lake, the Natives built mounds in the shapes of various animals. Lizards, birds and turtles are just a few examples. They also built long straight mounds that are believed to be some sort of defense from rival tribes. In January 1884, Marquette county was organized for county purposes. Today it has a total land mass of 464 sq miles and is home to around 15,500 people.

#### Cities

Montello (County Seat) *pop.* 1,495

#### **Towns**

Buffalo pop. 1,085 Crystal Lake pop. 513 Douglas pop. 768 Harris pop. 729 Mecan pop. 726 Montello *pop. 1,043*Moundville *pop. 574*Neshkoro *pop. 595*Newton *pop. 550*Oxford *pop. 859*Packwaukee *pop. 2,574*Shields *pop. 456*Springfield *pop. 628*Westfield *pop. 689* 

#### **Villages**

Endeavor pop. 468
Neshkoro pop. 434
Oxford pop. 607
Westfield pop. 1,254
\*Populations are approximate.

#### **Montello (County Seat)**

First claimed in 1849 by Josiah H. Dartt, Montello means "mountain or hill – and – water." Jason Daniels was the first settler in the area though. He built a stick house with a piece of carpet for a door, elm bark for roofing and brought his wife there. It is said that Mrs. Daniels was the first white woman across the Fox River. The next summer they had lots of visitors to their humble house. That summer, Mr. Daniels helped build 20 plus houses for new settlers. In the summer of 1850 a dam was built and a sawmill put into operation. Montello is also known for its granite. Montello granite is some of the hardest and most durable granite in the world. It was used for General Ulysses S. Grant's sarcophagus and was chosen over many others for its durability. Montello is now home to around 1,495 residents.

# Marquette County Communities

Packw a u kee

Native Americans lived on what is now called Packwaukee for thousands of years. It was named after a friendly chief of the Ho-Chunk tribe Pakwa We, meaning "it is shallow." Packwaukee is along Buffalo Lake witch has a depth today of only 9 feet in its deepest area. Packwaukee was an important stop for barges and steam ships that hauled people, mail and products along Fox River. Today Packwaukee is home to around 2,574 residents.



# Waushara County History (( ) Iiginating from a Native American word meaning

"Good Land," Waushara county was established in 1851. Sacramento was the original county seat but was changed to Wautoma in 1854 after a bitter debate. It has a total land mass of 637 sg. miles and is home to around 25,000 people.

#### Cities

Berlin (partly in Green Lake County) **pop. 5,524** Wautoma (County Seat)

pop. 2,218

#### **Towns**

Aurora pop. 971 Bloomfield pop. 1,018 Coloma pop. 748 Dakota pop. 1,259 Deerfield pop. 629
Hancock pop. 531
Leon pop. 1,281
Marion pop. 2,065
Mount Morris pop. 1,092
Oasis pop. 405
Plainfield pop. 533
Poy Sippi pop. 972
Richford pop. 588
Rose pop. 595
Saxeville pop. 974
Springwater pop. 1,389

Warren pop. 675 Wautoma pop. 1,312

#### **Villages**

Coloma pop. 450
Hancock pop. 417
Lohrville pop. 402
Plainfield pop. 897
Redgranite pop. 2,149
Wild Rose pop. 725
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# Maushara County Communities

Wautoma (County

Seat)

Wautoma started as a place of rest. in 1848, George Atkins let weary travelers rest in his log cabin while they traveled the Pinery Road. The next spring he sold the cabin to John Shumway who, later, turned it into The Wautoma Hotel. Ever since, the town has grown and flourished. It holds a total land mass of 2.72 sq. miles and is home to around 2,218 people.

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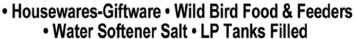
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Sept. 13 – Jan. 4, 2026

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Sept. 13 – Jan. 31, 2026

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*Gun* ∼ Nov. 22 − 30

**Muzzleloader**  $\sim$  Dec. 1 - 10

December 4-day antierless hunt ~

Dec. 11 – 14

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#### **BEAR**

**Zones A, B, D**: where dogs are permitted Sept. 3-9 with aid of dogs only

Sept. 10 – 30 with aid of dogs with aid of bait with all other legal methods

Oct. 1 – 7
with aid of bait
with all other legal methods not using dogs

**Zones C, E, F**: where dogs are not permitted Sept. 3 – Oct. 7 with aid of bait with all other legal methods not using dogs

#### **SMALL MAMMALS**

#### Cottontail rabbit

Northern zone ~ Sept. 13 – Feb. 28, 2026 Southern zone ~ Oct. 18 (9 a.m.) – Feb. 28, 2026 Milwaukee County ~ Year-round

**Squirrels** (gray and fox)

Statewide ∼ Sept. 13 − Feb. 28, 2026

#### **GAME BIRDS**

#### Crow

Statewide Nov. 22 – March 25, 2026

#### Pheasant

Statewide ~ Oct. 18 (9 a.m.) – Jan. 4, 2025

#### **Bobwhite quail**

Statewide ~ Oct. 18 (9 a.m.) – Dec. 10

#### Ruffed grouse

Zone A ~ Sept. 13 − Jan. 4, 2026

Zone B  $\sim$  Oct. 18 – Dec. 8

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#### **FURBEARERS**

#### Coyote

 $Hunting \sim Year\text{-}round$ 

Trapping ~ Oct. 18 – Feb. 15, 2026

#### Fox, red and gray

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#### Beaver

Trapping

Zone A (northwest) Nov. 1 — April 30, 2026 Zone B (northeast) Nov. 1 — April 30, 2026 Zone C (south) Nov. 1 — March 31, 2026 Zone D (Mississippi River) Dec. 8 — March 15, 2026

#### Muskrat & Mink

Trapping

Northern Zone Oct. 18 – April 15, 2026 Central Zone Oct. 25 – March 22, 2026 Southern Zone Nov. 1 – March 15, 2026 Mississippi River zone Nov. 10 – March 8, 2026

#### Bobcat

Trapping

North & South zones, Period 1, Oct. 18 — Dec. 25 North & South zones, Period 2, Dec. 26 — Jan. 31, 2026

#### Fisher

**Trapping** 

North and South Zones Oct. 18 – Jan. 4, 2026

#### **Otter**

Trapping

North zone Nov. 1 — April 30, 2026 South zone Nov. 1 — March 31, 2026

#### Raccoon

Trapping

Resident Oct. 18 – Feb. 15, 2026 Nonresident Nov. 1 – Feb. 15, 2026

**Opossum, skunk, weasel, snowshoe hare and woodchuck** ~ No season limits, bag limits, size limits or possession limits, but a license is required.

#### **WILD TURKEY**

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Spring 2025

Period A April 16 – 22 Period B April 23 – 29

Period C April 30- May 6

Period D May 7–13 Period E May 14–20

Period F May 21 – 27

Fall 2025

Statewide Sept. 13 — Nov. 21

Zones 1 - 5 ~ Nov. 22 – Jan. 4, 2026



\*For the latest season dates. Check the WI DNR website, https://dnr.wisconsin.gov or scan the QR code.



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**Gypsy Moth Caterpillar** 

## **Preventing the Spread**

- Buy local firewood.
- Burn all firewood completely at each destination.
- Move only Certified firewood out of a quarantine county or across state boundaries.
- Use firewood from nearby sources to heat your home or cabin.
- Tell your friends and family about the importance of not moving firewood.
- Don't move hardwood firewood out of a quarantine county, unless it is state or USDA certified.
- Don't move opened firewood bundles.
- Don't move firewood long distances to or from your lake home or cabin.

Invasive Pests are a Problem!

## FISHING SEASONS

**2025-2026 FISHING SEASON DATES** (Effective Date: April 1, 2025; Dates Inclusive)

**Early Inland Trout** (catch and release) January 4, 2025 (5 a.m.) - May 2, 2025

**General Inland Trout**May 3, 2025 (5 a.m.) - Oct. 15, 2025

General Inland Fishing May 3, 2025 - March 1, 2026

Largemouth Bass Northern Zone Harvest

May 3, 2025 - March 1, 2026

Smallmouth Bass Northern Zone Harvest June 21, 2025 - March 1, 2026

Large And Smallmouth Bass Southern Zone Harvest

May 3, 2025 - March 1, 2026

Large And Smallmouth Bass Catch And Release

At all other times of the year.

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**Northern Pike** 

May 3, 2025 - March 1, 2026

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May 3, 2025 - March 1, 2026

**Lake Sturgeon** 

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- RELEASE BAIT INTO THE WATER.

# ATV SAFETY

#### Read the owner's manual

and know your vehicle thoroughly. • Check your vehicle before you ride. • Wear protective equipment and clothing. • Don't lend your vehicle to unskilled riders. • Supervise young or inexperienced riders. • Never carry a passenger on vehicles meant for one rider. • Do not operate under the influence of drugs or alcohol. • Drive at speeds that are appropriate to trail conditions. • Stay to the right on trails. • Stay away from thin ice, open water and wetlands • Know the weather forecast. • Make sure headlights and taillights work properly. • Maintain safe distances between other riders. • Reduce your speed when riding at night. • Yield to other motor vehicles and trail users. • Young or beginning riders are encouraged to take a safety training course.

NOWMOBILE SAFETY

• Always wear a properly fitting bike helmet as most serious injuries are to the head. • Be sure your handlebars, seat and wheels fit snugly. • Keep your bike in good shape by checking and oiling your chain, making sure your brakes work properly and maintaining your tire pressure. • Always ride with both hands on the handlebars except when doing turn signals. • When leaving a driveway, curb or alleyway always stop and check for traffic in both directions. • Cross only at intersections. • Use the crosswalk to walk your bike across busy intersections and follow the traffic signals. • Never ride against traffic. Travel in the same direction as the cars. • Whenever you can, use bike routes and avoid busy streets. • Don't ride near parked cars as doors can open and cause accidents. • Obey all traffic signs and traffic lights. • When biking with friends, ride in a single file. • Always pass other bikers or pedestrians on the left and say "On your left!" to make your presence known. Always use bicycle hand signals to alert traf-

fic of your changing direction.

• Do not consume alcohol or take drugs prior to or during your snowmobile trip. Doing so increases your chances of injury or death. Slow down and don't cut to the inside of the trail corners. It's dangerous and illegal. • If you snowmobile at night, don't override your lights. • Always use the buddy system. Never ride off alone. • Drowning is one of the causes of many snowmobile fatalities. Whenever possible, avoid the ice. • Wear sensible, protective clothing designed for operating a snowmobile. • Use a full size helmet, goggles, or visor to prevent injuries from twigs, stones, ice chips and other debris. • Avoid wearing long scarves. They may get caught in moving parts of the snowmobile. • Know the terrain you are going to ride. If unfamiliar to you, ask someone who has traveled over it before. • Know the weather forecast, especially the ice and snow conditions. • Be sure your snowmobile is in top-notch mechanical condition throughout the months of use. • Familiarize yourself with the snowmobile you are driving. Thoroughly read the manual that accompanies the snowmobile. • Do not pursue domestic or wild animals. That is not the conduct of a sportsman. Report such violations to the nearest law enforcement officer.

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# So, You have decided to get a pet... NOW WHAT??

**Commitment and Time:** Owning a pet is a long-term commitment. Before bringing a pet home, consider your lifestyle and ensure you have enough time to spend with your pet. Dogs, cats, and many other animals require attention, exercise, and mental stimulation.

**Choose the Right Pet for Your Lifestyle:** Different pets have varying needs, temperaments, and activity levels. Research and select a pet that fits well with your lifestyle, living situation, and family dynamics. Whether you choose a dog, cat, bird, fish, or any other animal, make sure you can provide for its specific needs.

**Proper Nutrition:** Feed your pet a balanced and nutritious diet suitable for their species and age. Consult with a veterinarian to determine the best food options for your pet's health and well-being.

**Regular Exercise:** Most pets need regular physical activity to stay healthy and happy. Engage in playtime and exercise with your pet daily, as it helps prevent obesity and provides mental stimulation.

**Routine Veterinary Care:** Schedule regular check-ups with a veterinarian to monitor your pet's health, get necessary vaccinations, and address any concerns. Early detection of health issues can often lead to better outcomes.

**Spaying/Neutering:** Consider spaying or neutering your pet if you don't plan on breeding. This helps control the pet population and can have health benefits for your pet.

**Training and Socialization:** Properly train your pet to follow basic commands and have good manners. Socialize them with other animals and people from a young age to prevent behavioral issues later on.

**Provide a Safe Environment:** Ensure that your home and yard are safe for your pet. Remove hazards, keep toxic substances out of reach, and provide appropriate shelter from extreme weather conditions.

**Grooming:** Regular grooming is essential for most pets. Brush their fur, trim nails, and clean their ears as needed to keep them comfortable and healthy.

**Identification and Microchipping:** Keep identification tags with your current contact information on your pet's collar. Consider microchipping your pet as an extra mea-sure to ensure they can be identified if lost.

**Love and Attention:** Pets thrive on love and attention from their owners. Spend quality time with your pet, provide affection, and build a strong bond.

**Respect and Understanding:** Learn to understand your pet's body language and behavior. Respect their boundaries and feelings, and avoid forcing them into uncomfortable situations.

**Patience and Forgiveness:** Pets, especially young ones, can be mischievous or have accidents. Be patient with them during the training process and forgive any mistakes they make along the way.

**Emergency Preparedness:** Have a plan in place for emergencies, including natural disasters. Know how to evacuate with your pet safely if needed.

If you have just rescued / adopted a new fur baby, please it is important to remember the 3-3-3 RULE:

#### 3 Days:

In the first 3 days being in its new home, they will be feeling overwhelmed, scared & unsure of what is going on. They may also be uncomfortable being "themselves", and may not want to eat or drink. They may want to "shut down" or hide under a bed or in a crate, and they will test boundaries.

#### 3 Weeks:

At this point, they may be a lot more comfortable & settling in. Learning a new routine can be overwhelming, so please be patient. By now they may have figured out the new environment & accepted that this may be their FURever home. Their personality traits will start to show, as well as any behavior issue that may be present.

#### 3 Months:

For most fur babies, 3 months is enough time to finally be comfortable and begin to build trust and a true bond. A sense of security may be present & a set routine will help this process.

Please know that this is not the rule with every rescued or adopted pet, as some may need 6 months to a year to adjust & adapt, depending on MANY factors. Age of animal, what type of an environment did they come from?

## **DOG PARKS**

#### **Bannerman Trail**

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#### **INGREDIENTS**

2 steaks (ribeye or sirloin are

good choices)

Salt and pepper

2 tablespoons unsalted butter

2 cloves garlic, minced

Fresh herbs (optional)

Enjoy your delicious buttered-up steak!

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1 Take the steaks out of the refrigerator and let them come to room temperature for about 30 minutes. This helps the steak cook more evenly.
- > Preheat your oven to 400°F.
- **3** Season the steaks generously with salt and pepper on both sides.
- 4 Heat a large skillet over high heat until very hot. Add the steaks and cook for about 2-3 minutes per side, until nicely browned.
- 5 Remove the steaks from the skillet and place them on a baking sheet.
- 6 In the same skillet, add the butter and garlic. Cook for about 30 seconds, stirring constantly, until the garlic is fragrant.
- **7** Pour the garlic butter over the steaks on the baking sheet.
- **8** Place the baking sheet in the oven and cook for about 5-7 minutes for medium-rare doneness, or longer if you prefer your steak more well-done.
- **9** Remove the steaks from the oven and let them rest for a few minutes before slicing.
- 10 Serve the steak with any remaining butter from the baking sheet and fresh herbs if desired.

PREP: 35 MIN • TOTAL: 50 MIN





Bird Feeder Care Tips

With the return of summer means the return of a variety of bird species. If you plan on providing food, there are a few things to keep in mind.

According to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, birds may become sick from moldy bird food and uncleaned bird feeders. This tends to happen in spring more often because of the rain and humidity. If there is mold growth, it can cause an avian disease called aspergillosis, which can disrupt a birds respiratory system. Birds can also get Salmonella from unclean feeders. Either of the diseases may kill the bird.

You should wash your bird feeders a few times every year to ensure their is no mold growth. You can do this with some bleach and water (one part bleach to nine parts water), just make sure to rinse and dry well. If you can, let it dry in the sun to help kill off any left over bacteria. This also applies to hummingbird feeders but, they should be cleaned weekly.

You also need to clean up the fallen seeds and hulls from the ground under the bird feeders to prevent moldy conditions. The seeds on the ground have a tendency of attracting some animals you may not want around like mice, voles, raccoons and bears.

When buying a bird feeder you should look for one with as much air flow as possible. Look for hopper-type feeders or fly-through feeders that provide good air flow. Another way to help keep the bird seed dry is by filling the bird feeder less and more often.

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